

LITERATURE



THE SOVEREIGN POET.

He sits above the clang and dust of Time, With the world's secret trembling on his lip...

THE SPLENDID SPUR.

Not on the necks of prince or hound, Nor on a woman's finger twined, May gold from the defiling ground...

TWO LOVERS.

Whose baby is loveliest? Whose own. All round the world—north, south, east, west...

NOTES.

Madam Sarah Grand is coming to America to see the country and to lecture, according to the April Current literature.

600 miles long. Such a strip would reach three times around the world and leave a piece 600 miles long to spare.

According to the reports from the leading bookellers in thirty-seven cities, the six books which have sold best in the order of demand during the month are:

- 1—Alice of Old Vincennes, Thompson, (Bowen Merrill Co.)
2—Eben Holden, Bachelier, (Lothrop & Co.)
3—Richard Yea-and-Nay, Hewlett, (Macmillan.)
4—Eleanor, Ward, (Scribner.)
5—An English Woman's Love-Letters, (Doubleday, Page & Co.)
6—L'Aligion, Rostand, (Russell.)

George Murray Smith, of Smith, Elder & Co., who died in London on April 8th, was seventy-seven years old, and had been a publisher for fifty-seven years.

Richard D'Oyly Carte is dead also (April 2); another Englishman whose name we all know. It was he who brought about the combination of Gilbert and Sullivan, to which the world owes so much innocent pleasure.

Zola is sixty-one. He is generally regarded as an incessant worker, but, though he has done more work than most men, he is not by any means "always at it."



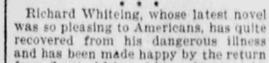
Tumor Cured. "By their fruits ye shall know them." The way to judge of the value of any medicine is by its cures.

Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Pellets cure biliousness. Mrs. Shoopshire, of Ballou, Shelby Co., Ohio, writes: "My mother had an ovarian tumor which we thought would result in her death."

THE DUTY OF MOTHERS.

What suffering frequently results from a mother's ignorance; or more frequently from a mother's neglect to properly instruct her daughter!

Tradition says "woman must suffer," and young women are so taught. There is a little truth and a great deal of exaggeration in this.



Mrs. August Palzgraf, of South Byron, Wis., mother of the young lady whose portrait we here publish, wrote Mrs. Pinkham in January, 1899, saying her daughter had suffered for two years with irregular menstruation...

Nothing in the world equals Mrs. Pinkham's great medicine for regular woman's peculiar monthly troubles.

A committee of prominent ladies have awarded to Mrs. Emma F. A. Drake, M. D., of Denver, Colo., a prize of \$1,000 for the best manuscript of a book addressed to young wives and mothers.

F. W. Hodge, editor of the American Anthropologist, sends out a notice of the proposed publication of "Zuni Folk-Tales," by the late Frank Hamilton Cushing, with an introduction by Maj. J. W. Powell.

The May Atlantic will open with the first installment of "Audrey," Miss Mary Johnston's new romance, "Prisoners of Hope," and "To Have and to Hold," which is a Virginia story.

A publication with a theatrical atmosphere soon to be published by Chas. Scribner's Sons is "Mrs. Gilbert's Reminiscences." Everybody, of course, identifies Mrs. Gilbert with the delightful comedienne associated for so many years with the company.

The following gives some idea of the increase in demand in the demand for good fiction. The figures are supposed to approximate the totals of recent sales:

- "Alice of Old Vincennes," about 150,000;
"The Reign of Law," 120,000;
"Palace of the King," 105,000;
"Master Christian," 90,000;
"The Cardinal's Snuffbox," 70,000;
"Eleanor," about 60,000;
"Tommy and Gracie," 60,000;
"Stringtown of the Pike," 50,000.

"Like Another Helen," by Geo. Horton, has probably exceeded the sales of any book of fiction this spring for the short time it has been published.

The diversity of Miss Mary E. Wilkins' literary gifts is to be further exemplified in a book of short stories entitled "The Understudy," which Messrs. Harper & Brothers will publish this week.

"The Heritage of Ureux" makes her a dangerous rival in the field, so long occupied only by the general reader.

English Politics in Early Virginia History, by Alexander Brown, D. C. L., is an interesting study, from old private and company letters and documents.

The A. Vessels Company have in active preparation a new life of Scott by Professor Hudson, of Stanford University.

MAGAZINES.

The Arena for May is an especially fine number. It has, as frontispiece, the portrait of a man now conspicuous in the public eye—Prof. George D. Herron, late of Grinnell College, Iowa.

McClure's Magazine for May is rich in those qualities for which it has come to stand—reality and vivid portrayals of life.

Our worldly possessions prevent us from owning the world. The point of a story is often the price we get for it.

The bankrupts of life cannot do business again in another name. Once it was a golden fleece and now we are all fatted for gold.

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Then and Now. Come build me a house, the Builder said. And fashion it high and wide.

And Adam went off and left his bride. To hunt for gold and fame. So Eve was left with a double care.

Now, all this happened when the earth was new! But things are quite different to-day. For Eve goes off on the morning train.

Now, Adam and Eve, attend, I beg. To a lesson that's herein given. Together work and together pray.

For there the Builder hath to build our Home. To shield from Death's gloomy wealth. And into their circle they'll welcome their own.

It takes only genius to write a great book, but it takes talent to find a publisher. The children of our brains are brighter than we are.

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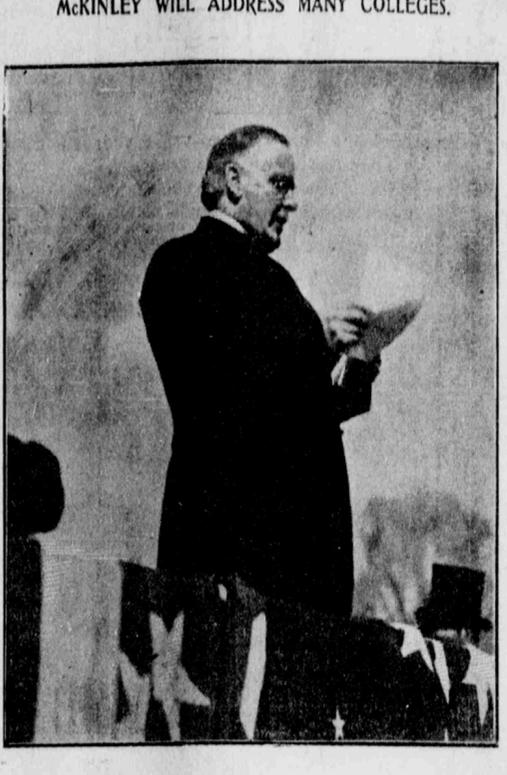
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